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SUBJ: REPORTED STATEMENTS BY PLO LEADER ON PALESTINIAN
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1. KUWAIT PRESS (AL WATAN, DECEMBER 5) CARRIES INTERVIEW WITH
PLO CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBER, KHALID AL HASSAMTN IN WHICH HE
REPORTEDLY MADE FOLLOWING POINTS TO REPORTER (PRESUMABLY IN
KUWAIT):

A. THE FORTHCOMING MEETING OF THE PALESTINIAN NATIONAL
COUNCIL WILL "DETERMINE THE WORK PROGRAM" FOR ESTABLISHMENT
OF A PALESTINIAN STATE, INCLUDING TACTICS FOR A GENEVA CON-
FERENCE AND CONSIDERATION OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PALESTINIAN
GOVERNMENT-IN-EXILE.

B. AMONG PALESTINIANS, "THER IS NO DISPUTE ON THE PRINCIPLE
OF ESTABLISHING A GOVERNMENT-IN-EXILE", BUT THE DATE IS IN
QUESTION -- IT COULD BE EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER THE GENEVA
CONFERENCE, DEPENDING UPON THE "NEED" FOR A GOVERNMENT-IN-EXILE.
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C. REGARDING CONTACTS WITH U.S. AUTHORITIES, THERE HAVE BEEN

"NO DIRECT CONTACTS", AND BEFORE ANY OCCUR "THERE MUST BE
AMERICAN RECOGNITION OF THE PLO AS THE ONLY LEGITIMATE
REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE".
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